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SUBJECT: LOCKHEED INQUIRY COMMITTEE WILL INVESTIGATE EX-PM RUMOR

1. IN A UNANIMOUS VOTE TAKEN ON THE EVENING OF NOVEMBER 30, THE PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY COMMITTEE DECIDED TO OPEN A FORMAL INVESTIGATION INTO THE CONDUCT OF FORMER PM MARIANO RUMOR IN CONNECTION WITH THE LOCKHEED CASE. IN EFFECT, THIS DECISION PLACES RUMOR IN THE SAME FORMAL POSITION AS FORMER MINISTERS GUI AND TANASSI. SINCE THE COMMITTEE HAS UNDOUBTEDLY ALREADY COLLECTED EVIDENCE ON RUMOR'S CONDUCT, THE MAIN EFFECT OF THE DECISION IS TO SET THE STAGE FOR RUMOR'S DEFINITIVE INDICTMENT OR ABSOLUTION.

2. THE DC NEWSPAPER COMMENTED ON DECEMBER 1 THAT THE COMMITTEE'S DECISION WAS "CORRECT" SINCE IT WILL REMOVE ANY SHADOW OF A DOUBT ABOUT THE CONDUCT OF "ONE OF THE GREATEST EXPONENTS OF THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY." DC COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE REPORTED TO BE READY TO DEFEND RUMOR'S CONDUCT "TOOTH AND NAIL."

3. COMMENT: THE UNANIMITY OF THE COMMITTEE'S DECISION AND DC'S RINGING DEFENSE OF RUMOR MIGHT BRING ONE TO SPECULATE THAT THE DC IS SURE THAT THE COMMITTEE WILL NOT INDUCT RUMOR. IF THAT IS

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TRUE, THE DECISION TO OPEN A FORMAL INVESTIGATION WILL PROVIDE

INSURANCE AGAINST FUTURE CHARGES OF A "COVER-UP."VOLPE

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